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In re Patent Application of

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For: METHODS FOR STAINING TARGET  
CHROMOSOMAL DNA EMPLOYING  
HIGH COMPLEXITY NUCLEIC ACID  
PROBES



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**REPLY & AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

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please amend the above-cited application as follows:

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